MERCHANTVILLE BOARD OF EDUCATION AGENDA – JULY 24, 2007

PUBLIC AGENDA

CALL TO ORDER
The New Jersey Open Public Meetings Law was enacted to ensure the rights of the public to have advance notice of and to attend the meetings of the public bodies at which any business affecting their interest is discussed or acted upon. In accordance with the provisions of this Act, the Merchantville Board of Education has caused notice of this meeting to be published by having the date, time, and place thereof posted in the Retrospect, The Courier Post, Borough Hall, and Community Library.

ROLL CALL

Mr. Kabel_____	Mr. Honigfeld_____	Mr. Velten_____
Mr. Doran_____	Mr. Morrone_____	Mrs. Zeiders_____
Mr. Loue _____	Mr. Bohn_____	Mrs. Hartson-Stine_____

PLEDGE TO THE FLAG
I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible with liberty and justice for all.

OPEN PUBLIC COMMENT
Audience members attending Board of Education Meetings are permitted to voice their opinions on school-related topics at specified times during the regular meeting. These times are included in the printed agenda for the meeting. Members of the public are encouraged to speak during the public portion of the meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS
Letter from the New Jersey General Assembly to review and discuss.

OLD BUSINESS
Travel Policy

Chaperon Policy

Discussion: Bids for School Gym Wall Repair – Low bidder, Martell Construction Company, acknowledged an error in bid, and asked that bid be dismissed. Next lowest bidder, Masonry Preservation Group. Bid amount $122,625.00

Discussion: Executive School Solutions proposal for plastic lockers in the girls' and boys' locker rooms.
Proposal details – 65 lockers – 18 x 18 x72 – 2 tier - installed - $27,569.00 - Disposal of old lockers - $2,240.00

Discussion: Archway Program request for the board of pass a resolution regarding reduced and/or paid meals provided to students.

NEW BUSINESS

Set cafeteria prices for 2007-2008 school year. Sodexho' Contract lists the following meal prices:

Breakfast	$1.10	Reduced	$ .30
Student Lunch	$2.10	Reduced	$ .40

Adult Breakfast	$_____
Adult Lunch	$_____
Milk	$_____

Discussion: Sodexho's request for the board to consider placing a vending machine containing 100% juice items in the cafeteria area.

Mrs. Hartson-Stine's summary of the Carroll Will Annual Meeting with the Trustees:

- $169,959 is available for distribution this year, and this includes unused carry-over of $18,900 from the prior year
- $158,447 was awarded this year
- $121,800 is designated for scholarships – (75%) of this year's funds, plus unused portion form prior year awards
- $47,000 is designated for student enrichment – (25%) of available funds
- 39 students were awarded scholarships. Last year, 32 students were awarded scholarships
- This year's maximum awarded is $18,500. Last year's maximum award was $16,000
- This year's minimum award is $650. Last year's minimum award was $1,200.

MINUTES

It is recommended that the board of education approve the minutes from the:

June 26, 2007 Board Meeting

BOARD SECRETARY/BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR REPORT

PAYMENTS

It is recommended that the board of education approve the following payments.

P 77	June bill run	$106,411.70
P 78	June 30, 2007 payroll	$ 12,523.58

TRANSFERS
It is recommended that the board of education approve the following transfers for the month of June 2007 to date, as listed.

11 120 100 101 Salaries –Grades 1-5	200.00	11 120 100 101A – Salaries – subs	200.00
11 190 100 320 Contracted services	200.00	11 401 100 500 Contracted services	200.00

CHIEF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS RECOMMENDATIONS
It is recommended that the board of education approve the change on the salary guide for Mrs. Jeanne Leise to acknowledge the additional graduate credits earned. Mrs. Leise's new salary is $39,012. consistent with a BA Step 6 plus 30 graduate credits, effective September 1, 2007.

It is recommended that the board of education approve to renew the Interlocal Nursing Agreement with the County of Camden to provide nursing services to children in nonpublic schools, and this agreement further provides for the funding of it through the State Commissioner of Education.

It is recommended that the board of education approve to enter into a tuition contract agreement with the Camden County Technical Schools to provide educational services to Merchantville Students attending the Vocational High School for school year 2007-2008. The cost per pupil is $2500, and the estimated number of students enrolled is 18 (eighteen).

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION
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When addressing the Board of Education, please respect the following procedure:

1. Be recognized by the Board President.
2. State your full name and address before commenting.
3. Identify the resolution on which you will be commenting.
4. Wait to be recognized before making your comment(s).
5. Limit your comments to the specific resolution.

RECESS INTO CLOSED SESSION
It is recommended that the Board of Education adjourn, by Resolution, into Closed Session, from which the general public is excluded, to discuss, personnel, negotiations,

or any other matter appropriate for this session. The results of this session will be made public immediately after, or as soon thereafter, as a decision is reached, if permitted by law.

RESUMPTION OF PUBLIC PORTION OF THE MEETING

ADJOURNMENT